

BEFORE THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

In the Matter of the Revocation)	
)	
or Suspension of the Educator)	ORDER OF SUSPENSION
)	(BREACH OF CONTRACT)
Certificate of Pamela C. Broeils)	
)	
Certificate 226216)	

SUMMARY OF THE CASE

The South Carolina State Board of Education (State Board) considered this matter on June 14, 2006. On June 1, 2006, the Office of Educator Certification sent Pamela C. Broeils a notice of her right to a hearing regarding the possible suspension of her South Carolina educator certificate by regular and certified mail, return receipt requested, delivery restricted to addressee. Ms. Broeils contacted the Office of General Counsel in the Department of Education (Department) on June 5, 2006, to acknowledge receipt of the notice letter and to state that she did not wish to exercise her right to a hearing. After considering the information presented, the State Board voted to suspend Ms. Broeils' certificate for one year.

FINDINGS OF FACT

Ms. Broeils holds a valid South Carolina educator certificate with over eight years of teaching experience. Ms. Broeils held a contract for the 2005-2006 school year with the Greenville County School District (District), and was assigned as an art teacher at J. L. Mann Academy. On March 20, 2006, Ms. Broeils did not report for work and never resumed her duties. The District notified her on April 21, 2006, that her resignation was not in compliance with District policy and that she would not be released from her contract. On May 24, 2006, the District Board of Trustees voted to request the suspension of Ms. Broeils' certificate as a result of her breach of contract.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The State Board may suspend the certificate of any person for unprofessional conduct. S.C. Code Ann. §§ 59-25-150 and 160 (2004). Breach of contract is deemed to be unprofessional conduct. S.C. Code Ann. § 59-25-160 (2004); 24 S.C. Code Regs. 43-58 (1992). The State Board finds that there is sufficient information supporting its conclusion that Ms. Broeils breached her contract with the Greenville County School District, warranting the suspension of her certificate for a period of one year, from June 14, 2006, through June 13, 2007. Should Ms. Broeils wish to have her certificate reinstated at the end of the suspension period, she may make a written request for reinstatement to the Office of Educator Certification.

South Carolina State Board of Education

By: /S/ Joe Isaac

Joe Isaac, Chair

Columbia, South Carolina

June 14, 2006